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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed May 16, 2003, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner to the non-final Office action mailed July 2, 2001, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on October 3, 2001.

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The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center 1600 for further processing.

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